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WORLD.

REPORTED LOSS OF 400.
A telegram from Vienna states that according to reports published by the Polish papers, General Bendorycz did not die from asphyxiation as was alleged during the manoeuvres at Rovno, but from the collapse of the Krutsharsky Bridge. It is alleged that the structure fell while the Pulawa Regiment was crossing, and that the general and 400 men were drowned. The news is not confirmed from any other source.

MR. H. PARSONS.
Mr. H. Parsons of the Polytechnic Cycling Club, has created no small sensation in the cycling world of late by the marvellous records he has accomplished. He is 32 years of age, stands 5ft. 10in., and weighs 176 lbs. Last week he electrified cyclists by riding 23 miles off the road in an hour. On the 25th of last month he accomplished a record of 100 miles in 4 hours and 15 minutes.

wonderful performance when he beat Mr. Macready's fifty miles record by 23 miles upwards and kept going until he had ridden 60 miles in 1,355 yards in three hours.

THE PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY'S EXHIBITION.
The private view of the Photographic Society of Great Britain's annual exhibition, followed later on by an evening soirée, took place on Saturday at the fine premises of the Royal Society of Painters, 1, Waterloo Colonnade. Taking it altogether, the collection of works is considerably above the average in merit, the artistic quality especially showing distinct improvement. There are, of course, some productions whose absence would be no loss to the show, but these lies in amber serve, at all events, as excellent foils to the other exhibits. A fashionable company attended the evening gathering, many people of social and artistic "light and leading" being present in the throng. Photographers, both amateur and professional, should make a point of visiting the exhibition, if for nothing else than to mark the further progress made by their popular art during 1898.

SOUTHAMPTON STRIKE.
The following letter has been received by the general in temporary command of the Southampton Dock Company's Dock House, Southampton, 29th March, 1890. To Major-General H. Le G. Goary, R.A., commanding the Southern Division, Portsmouth. Sir,—I am desired by Sir Stewart Mannington, the chairman of this company, to express to you his best thanks, and those of his colleagues for your great personal service, and that of Col. H. A. Parr, C.M., A.C., and also of Col. White, Mr. Goring, and other officers and commanding officers, and men of the 1st Battalion of the King's Own Royal Yorkshire Light Infantry, who were stationed at these docks under your command during the late disastrous strike, and which by their presence was brought to a speedy termination. The behaviour of the men during the conflict, and without which aid it would have been impossible for peace to have been maintained. My directors are deeply sensible of the obligation they are under to you, and all the officers referred to, and desire to express their high appreciation of the very cheerful and orderly behaviour of the King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry under the very uncomfortable circumstances in which they had to remain at these docks, and they desire to record the thanks which we justly give to all concerned.—I have the honour to be your obedient servant, PHILIP HEDDER, Secretary.

A TERRIBLE TRAGEDY.
According to a telegram from San Antonio, Texas, another desperate affair has been added to the annals of crime in that State. A man named Albert Nutting, a rough character, called one morning at the farm-house of a respectable family named Ellwell. The husband was away but the wife with her six children, ranging from two years old up to fifteen, was at home. The man demanded money which was refused. Without the least warning he put a bullet through the mother's head, and fired the contents of four other barrels of the revolver at four of the children, and killed another with a jack knife. From eldest girl of 15, managed to escape and alarm the neighbours. They found Mrs. Ellwell lying dead in the hall, and beside her the bodies of her five children. A posse has been organised, and is in pursuit of Nutting, who will be lynched when caught.

A little boy, son of one of the porters at Gay's Hospital, whilst playing near the Newcomen-street entrance, found a brown paper parcel, tied round with string lying against the railings, and on its being opened, the dead body of a newly-born child was discovered.

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ply on American producers, while allowing those from all other parts of the world to enter free as at present. A differential tariff of this sort would confer enormous advantage on our wheat producing colonies, which are far better customers for our manufactures than the United States are. But we believe that the mere prospect of such retaliation would cause the American legislature to reconsider the policy of adopting a hostile tariff. The Yankee Protectionists believe that the English people could never be induced to sanction the 'imposition of duties on

American breadstuffs. Let them not reckon too far on that assumption; JOHN BULL loves cheap bread, it is true, but he is sufficiently shrewd to see that it would not be cheap but very dear were it purchased at the cost of his manufacturing industries. Besides, there is good reason to believe that a differential tariff on wheat which slightly favoured Australasia, Canada, and India would so largely increase its culti-

ration in those countries as to keep down the market price to the present level or thereabouts. We would not, of course, suggest such a remedy did any other present itself. But it being only through their exports of breadstuffs that the United States can be made to feel British resentment at the new prohibitory tariff, there is really no other way of convincing them. To say, as that he has come to

THE SERIOUS CHARGE AGAINST A SAUSAGE MAKER.

At the Guildhall Police Court, Walter Brazil, a butcher and sausage maker, of 154, Bishopsgate-street, surrendered to his recognisances before Mr. Alderman Bernal to answer an adjourned summons, for that on

August 5, there was found in his possession, deposited for the purpose of preparation for sale and intended for the food of man, fifty saveloys, fifty pieces of flesh, and one neck of pork, the same being unsound, unwholesome, and unfit for human food.—The case has been reported, and was adjourned in order to give the defendant an opportunity to call witnesses. In adjourning the alderman said this was a most serious case, both as regarded the defendant and the public generally. On the 11th Mr. W. Salter called.

Warwick Belcher, of Ardley-road, Hackney. He stated that he dealt with the defendants for savelays on sale or return. On the Saturday before August Bank Holiday he had 850 savelays, for which he paid 2s 6d. On the following Tuesday he sent back 450 between twelve and one o'clock.—By Mr. Baylis: He could not tell how long savelays kept good.—The Alderman: Do you produce this witness's books?—Mr. Salter: I am not in a position to do so.—In answer to a

question from the alderman, the witness said he could not tell who brought the veils on the Saturday. The alderman said while there was some doubt in his mind as to the veils, there was none whatever with regard to the meat. He was persuaded that this was intended for human food. He would add no more. It was now only his duty to protect the public. He should send accused to prison for three months.—Mr. Salter said that the defendant would appeal.—The alderman stated he would admit the defendant to bail.

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in two sureties of £100 each.—Bail was justified.

**SERIOUS CHARGE AGAINST
A GUARDSMAN.**

At Bow-street Police Court, George Cowburn, an orderly-room clerk in the Coldstream Guards, and John Byvan, late a private in that regiment, were charged with being concerned together, in giving a false certificate of character. Mr. Sims prosecuted. George Byvan, Mr. Hallward.

on behalf of the resident clerk in the office of the Commissioner of Police, said that on the 21st of July last Devan applied for an appointment in the police. He passed his examination, and was requested to send in his testimonials. He sent a parchment character certificate, which purported to show that his conduct was "Very good" in the Coldstream Guards. Inquiries were made at the War Office with reference to this certificate, and this led to Devan being arrested.—Sergeant-major Wray, of the Cold-

stream Guards, produced the original records of Bevan's service with the regiment. His character was "Indifferent through general misconduct."—Quartermaster-sergeant Hobbs said that Cowburn had been orderly-room clerk for about four years, and had access to the papers in the office and the parchment certificates, which were kept in stock in blank. On the 17th of June the witness filled in a certificate character for Bevan, which was duly signed by the colonel of the regiment. The witness

said that the forged certificate of character was an exact imitation of his own handwriting. The "hectograph" copying apparatus was used in the office, and the words "Very good" were, to the best of witness' belief, in Cowburn's handwriting. The witness had seen him, and he had said "he was very sorry he had made such a fool of himself," or words to that effect. The Hon. Lambton, adjutant in the Coldstream Guards, proved that Nevinn was discharged at Windsor, and that he was "Indifferent."

and a certificate of contact," was handed through general misconduct," was handed him.—Colonel Sterling was called to prove the signature purporting to be his was for the certificate of "very good character"—Miss Wyatt, a housekeeper living in L brooke-road, deposed that Bevan was her brother-in-law. She received a letter signed "S. C.," addressed to "Dear Jack." It contained an intimation that the police were making inquiries about the prisoner's character. The witness handed the letter to Bevan.

and he explained that he had tried to get the police with a false character, and that he had given a corporal 10s. to make it out for him. The witness saw the prisoner Cowell at the Horse Guards, and asked him Colonel Sterling's country address. He refused to give it, and said he would be a ruin to a man, and would lose £30. When asked if the prisoners admitted their guilt.—They were committed for trial.

The following resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Lambeth Board of Guardians, held upon the motion of Mr. Stockbridge, seconded by the Rev. Walter Hobbs:—That "as the licensed liquor traffic in the parish of Lambeth is both a great factor in the increase of pauperism for relief, and the guardians sitting in relief committees are continually receiving evidence that pauperism arises from an expenditure of wages in such houses, in consequence of the numerous facilities for supply of the same, this board earnestly calls

ing report, and drawing the attention of the licensing authorities to above facts, and urgently desires that applications for licenses for new premises be made, and that a thorough investigation be used into all applications for licenses for premises heretofore licensed, having regard to the requirements of the neighborhood in which the premises are situated."



Turner, who made a confession last week of having murdered the little girl JoJo at West Ham, was brought up on remand. Superintendent Spencer handed to the bench a report he had received from Woodcock Yard, which illustrates his belief that there was no reason for keeping the man in custody. On the charge being read over the prisoner said, "I don't know anything about it." The man was discharged.

NOISELESS BRIDGES FOR LONDON.
A novel resolution has been adopted by the Newington Vestry, whereby it is declared "That this vestry is of opinion that, in the interests of the comfort and health of the public, railway bridges should be rendered noiseless, and that a copy of the resolution be sent to the County Council of London and the vestries, with the view to a conference on the subject."

grar, 27, conductor, had been a night, and had not been there more than 10 minutes when he began to use foul language. Witness ejected him as soon as he was able to do so, and then, after he had done so, he smashed the embossed plate glass with a umbrella wire. — P. O. Cox, 518 W. 4th, had to send to the station for an order to lock the prisoner up. He said the prisoner was drunk. — The prisoner said he lost his tools in the house. — The witness was not particularly satisfied with the result.

SCIENCE AT RICHMOND.—Mr. A. Bra
Hicks held an inquiry concerning the
of John Plathero, 61, a carman, late of E
mond.—The widow stated that the late F
had been suffering from rheumatism, and
latterly from the chest, and pressed. He had
said to her as he was getting on in years he
afraid he would lose his situation.—Will
Gibson, a plumber, in the employ of
Messrs. Gannaway and Glaser, builder
whose office is in Richmond, was deposed
that about twenty minutes to ten he went to a
shed in a field off King's-road, Richm
and on unlocking the door he saw a man
suspended by the neck from the top of a
beam nine and a half feet from the gro
The deceased had made a platform of
timber, and after adjusting the rope, k
it over or swung himself off. Before
mitting the act he had said to the w
his horses.—Dr. J. W. Cook, of Marsh
The deceased was called in, said that
man had been dead about two hours

FOLLIES IN THE HOUSE.
Sir E. J. Reed, M.P., explained that in the House of Commons voices had to be given to the follies, the prejudices, and the superstitions of the people who sent the representatives, as well as to the wisdom and the sense of the community. He nevertheless had no doubt that good government and a great future for this country would be evolved from the House of Parliament, and affirmed that whatever might be said against the House of Lords it would never be found trying to stand in the path of the people's will. The toast of the Lord Mayor and Corporation was responded to by Mr. Alderman Cotton, the oldest alderman of the City of London, and whose mayoralty was a memorable one, it being the year the Prince of Wales returned from his famous tour in India. Alderman Cotton mentioned that when he was Lord Mayor 300 ladies and gentlemen at the dinner party were entertained at the Mansion House, which was opened at noon, and closed at seven in the

FIRE IN LONDON.
At an early hour on Saturday the firemen were called to 100, Elmore-street, Ealing, where a fire had broken out in the premises of Mr. R. Mann, furrier, and gardener. The flames had burst through the roof of the building, and the second floor, which was used as a workshop and this was well alight when the firemen arrived, while the mischief was spreading to other parts of the building. The fire was finally burst through the roof, and the flames were overcome until the entire premises were saved, very greatly damaged. Mr. Garfield was insured in the General. Mr. Garfield was insured.

Having previously undergone punishment for three periods of seven days, one day, and two months for being drunk, James Connor, 23, of Sandford-street, Ealing, was at Marylebone Police-court, sentenced to three months' hard labour for being drunk and assaulting a constable at Church-street, Edgware-road.

Mr. Langham was insured on the life of the death of Walter Thomas, whose father, James Thomas, of 10, South-street, Crimscott-road, Brixton, was the deceased overturned a bucket of water, by climbing on to it, and was fully scalded about the chest, face and arms. He died soon afterwards at the Hospital.

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"THE PEOPLE" MIXTURE.

The path of duty is through the Custom House.

Altogether 403 Victorian Crosses have been presented.

There is an old lady living in Leith who has been convicted 700 times.

A crowd of choir boys are on strike. They probably want a fair chance.

Death never has a holiday here, but he occasionally takes a day off in Algeria.

There are as many as 550 lighthouses round the coast of the United Kingdom.

Mr. John Parry is the oldest Welsh bard. He is now in his eighty-sixth year.

Nothing makes a bald-headed man so mad as a fly who doesn't know when he has had enough.

Mr. Medall, the station-master of Algharkirk, near Bolton, has dropped down dead from heart disease.

William Thomson, a Glasgow man of 67, fell on the tramway rails in Crown-street, and was killed by a car which drove up at him.

The wife of P.G. Weir, of Leith, ascended to the top flat of the house, and threw herself out of the window. Her death was instantaneous.

Clara Farley, a Ramsgate woman, accidentally upset a paraffin cooking-stove, which burst, and ignited her dress. She was terribly injured and disfigured, and died in a few hours.

It is stated that, in recognition of his services in Ireland, the Queen has signified her intention of making Prince Edward of Wales a Knight of St. Patrick.

We had one death from small-pox in London last week. There were, however, none in any of the twenty-seven great provincial towns.

The metropolitan case was that of a Greenwich man.

Robert Cameron, a Dundee mason, died in his sweetheart's arms. They were sitting in a thicket on a farm near, and falling back, died almost immediately.

Farmer Herbert Brine, of East Farleigh, near Maidstone, committed suicide in so determined a manner that the top of his head was completely blown away. Just before a writ had been unexpectedly served upon him.

Mr. John Morley paid his long-expected visit to Hawarden on Tuesday, arriving at the Castle shortly before noon, and spending a considerable portion of the day with Mr. Gladstone.

The autumn colour for ladies' costumes is called "bark." It is the shade of the dark red-brown sails of fishing boats. It will vary from the very dark to the lighter shades which are more commonly seen on the sails of fishing boats on the Venetian lagoons.

A Yankee idyll—Forty years ago a Newport (Arkansas) couple married. They did not get along comfortably, and were divorced. He has had two wives since then, and the two husbands. Last week he married her again. He is now 61; she is 60.

The newest trimming for ladies' attire, and one which will be in much vogue during the coming season, is fringe. Fringes of all kinds and colours, formed of silk, of jet, of coloured beads, or of silk tipped with steel, will be worn.

The Royal National Lifeboat Institution has received a legacy of £2,000 under the will of the late Mr. Andrew Pickard, of Leeds and Ossett, for building and maintaining five lifeboats on the coasts of Great Britain and Ireland.

A venerable lady completed on Tuesday last her ninety-fifth year—Georgiana Dowager Marquess de Ros. It was she—then in her twentieth year—who on the eve of the Battle of Waterloo danced at the ball given by her father, the Duke of Richmond at Brussels.

Mr. T. A. Barry, of St. Peter's Brewery, Derris, a member of the town council, was fined £50, on a charge of not entering a brewing of 200 gallons of beer, and a further sum of £50 for fraudulently concealing the same on June 12th and 13th last.

It has now been decided that the marriage of Mr. Gerald Loder, M.P., with Lady Louise de Vere Beauclerk, who has been arranged to take place at her father's, the Duke of St. Albans' seat, Westwood Park, Notts, shall be celebrated in London instead on October 25th.

At the sale of Lord Tollermeach's furniture in St. James's-square, among other lots put up was a mahogany bedstead at 5s. No further offer was apparently forthcoming.

Until it transpired that Mr. Gladstone had slept in it for seven months, when it became an object of the most spirited competition, and was sold for a large sum.

At La Villette, one of the lowest of the Parisian suburbs, two men, named Jung and Baer, trampled to death a woman of 20, apparently their common mistress, and, in addition, stabbed her several times in the chest. They were arrested by two local shopkeepers, who had been roused from their sleep by the woman's screams. The murderers' ages are 33 and 35 respectively.

Mr. Gladstone, in the course of a letter which he has written to Mr. W. H. Wilkins with reference to his recent communication on the subject of Italian vagrancy, says:—"I regard with nothing short of horror, the traffic in Italian children, as represented by your deeply interesting letter; but I want of knowledge and want of time to inquire disabed from taking part in any movement concerning it."

A firm in Sydney announces that they have completed arrangements whereby parcels of one, two, three, or more frozen sheep or lambs can be delivered at any address in the United Kingdom, "delivery guaranteed." Whether the practice of sending presents of this kind from the colonies to friends at home is to become established or not must, of course, depend upon the practical results of the experiment.

An accident occurred to the South Wales express train the other afternoon. The train was timed to reach Didcot Junction at about four o'clock, but while running near Wantage-road Station an axle of one of the coaches broke, and the train had to be brought to a standstill. On examination, it was found necessary to send for a breakdown gang, which was despatched from Didcot as soon as possible, but the accident caused a delay in the traffic for nearly two hours. Fortunately, no one was injured.

At Ruthin, the mayor and corporation have been proceeding against for having, for the use of tradespeople, at their market, a beam and two weights faulty and against the purchaser. The town clerk contended that the inspector of weights and measures should have given the corporation notice that he was going to examine the scales and weights.

The inspector replied that he wished to deal with the corporation in exactly the same manner as if they were private individuals. The bench imposed a fine of £5 and costs.

The Kensington bench of magistrates have reaffirmed their decision that tradesmen residing on their business premises are not entitled to serve as special jurors. Counsel cited the case of a furniture dealer residing on his business premises, who paid rates to the amount of £250 a year, and contended that he should be placed on the special jury list. The bench interpreted the Act to mean that the qualification to serve was in respect of a private dwelling assessed to the rates.

At the amount of £100 per annum. They refused to grant a case.

A young man who keeps a collection of locks of hair of his lady friends has labelled them his hair-breadth escapes.

"Experience," says Carmen Sylva, "is an aged woman whom we respect without inquiring too closely into her past."

Beer, it is said, will clean girl frames. It is able to work injury to frames that are not girl-human frames, for instance.

A Connecticut man has recently died from eating too many griddle-cakes. He literally frittered away his existence.

Mrs. Elizabeth Gates is the richest unmarried woman in Buffalo. She is said to dress very plainly, which explains it.

Orpheus was a musician whose music had power to draw stones towards him. The music of the modern organ grinder also possesses this mystic charm.

One of the oldest clubs extant is the Canada Club, which has been in existence over 100 years. It has no habitation, and its members only meet six times a year.

At Bangkok, and in most parts of Siam, children are allowed to smoke before they are able to talk. It is a wonder if they are able to talk after they have smoked.

The district of the Amoor has been partly inundated, and great damage has been done to the crops and houses. Many persons are reported to have been drowned.

The Swedish Government has authorised the Great Northern Telegraph Company to lay down a new cable between Gothenburg and Newcastle.

The Earl of Dartmouth has promised donations amounting to £1,450 towards the Bishop of Wakefield's appeal for £50,000 for Church work in his diocese.

Here is a chance for a good romance. Cardinal Lavergne has offered a present of £1,000 to the author who produces the best romance treating of the slave trade in Africa.

"Carmen Sylva" has no sympathy for the female suffrage agitator who says she "are huns who make themselves virtuous."

Paul Johnstone, an American thought-reader, avers that science errs in crediting man with five senses. He thinks thought-reading should be added to the list.

After you have weighed your neighbor in the balance, drop a pennyworth of fairness into the slot of self-examination, and ascertain your own moral standpoint.

Young aspirants for literary fame should console themselves with the reflection that they have plenty of time before them. Theophrastus wrote his "Ethical Characters" at the ripe age of 90.

At Tiflis a church on eight wheels has just been constructed for use along the line. So that a railway journey can no longer be an excuse for not going to church in that part of the world.

How lucky, if he only looked at it in the right light, is the man who only earns 18s. a week, and is no risk of getting any of the 20,000 bad sovereigns which are said to be in circulation.

Mr. W. S. Caine will make a tour in India this month on behalf of the temperance cause. He is drafting a memorial on the subject of temperance which he intends to present to the Anglo-Indian Government.

The Greenwich Hospital pension of £50 a year for field officers of the Royal Marines, vacant by the death of Major-General Langford, has been awarded to Colonel Charles J. Hildfield.

Hyacinth Carlin, the once popular novelist, who was struck with almost total blindness a few years ago, has partially recovered her eyesight. This is the more remarkable when her age, 57 years, is taken into consideration.

A nobleman's son seeks employment as secretary or clerk; age 18. So runs an advertisement. He is, no doubt, suited by this time. There are sure to be plenty of employers who would only be too glad to brag about "My clerk's father, Lord Baccara."

One of the largest forests in the world stands on ice. It is situated between Ural and the Okhotsk Sea. A well was recently dug in this region, when it was found that at a depth of 116 metres the ground was still frozen.

The People's Palace Rambling Club has now sixty members. Excursions as well as summer and winter are undertaken, and between November and March the praiseworthy object of the rambles seems to be to make as much of the sights of London as possible.

Mr. J. E. Hodgson, E.A., has been elected president of the next annual congress of the National Association for the Advancement of Art and its application to industry, which will be held at Birmingham from the 4th to the 8th of November next.

The Grocer chronicles the sale last week in Kensington of a very rare kind of tea at the abnormally high figure of 80s. 6d. per pound. The tea, of which only fifteen pounds had been imported, was described as "choicest golden-tipped Souchong Pooko."

It is difficult to realise that 200 years ago Brighton was scarcely known even by name to most Londoners. The Merry Monarch once alluded to what is now the queen of watering places as "a place four miles off of Shoreham, called Brightelmstone."

A Parisian wine merchant has hit upon a happy scheme for augmenting his sales by announcing that he has sent a prize and a trophy to be concealed in one of his bottles every day. His shop is now crowded with customers from morning till night.

Self-esteem, says the *Phrenological Magazine*, is located on the crown of the head, and, when large, tends to cause the head to be thrown back. Thus it is a mistake to suppose that the man who holds his head the highest always knows the most.

In the reign of Charles I. a mayor of Norwich is said to have sent a man to prison without a shirt to his back. The truth is very often objectionable even now, when it is so seldom met with.

Bignon, the recently deceased Paris restaurateur, won a certain amount of fame by charging an American something over £3 for a leg of mutton. It is said that Americans always patronised Bignon on account of his high prices.

It may be news to some that the word "honeymoon" is derived from the German, and has its significance from the fact that the Germans formerly drank mead—a sweet liquid made of honey—for thirty days after the wedding.

A powerful English syndicate has offered to build four fast steamers, of an average speed of twenty knots, to convey the mails between Canada and England. The Government will consider the matter after the pending political tour of Ministers.

There were, in the metropolis last week, 26 deaths from measles, 16 from scarlet fever, 38 from diphtheria, 29 from whooping-cough, 18 from enteric fever, 20 from ill-defined forms of continued fever, 36 from diarrhoea and dysentery, and six from cholera and cholera morbus.

At Bowdley the licensing justices declined to renew several old licenses, stating that they considered there were too many public-houses in the town. At Hyde licensing sessions, the police objected to the renewal of a private dwelling assessed to the rates.

needed, and the magistrates refused the renewal. Notice of appeal was given.

An advance of from 6d. to 1s. per ton in the price of coals is announced from Yorkshire.

Last week there were 2,458 births and 1,458 deaths in the Metropolis.

The farms receiving the sewage of Berlin are 19,000 acres in extent.

"If," says Ruskin, "life without industry is guilt, industry without art is brutality."

Seventy-four London children under five years of age died from diarrhoea last week.

Sir Herbert Osakeley has intimated his intention of resigning the Chair of Music in Edinburgh University.

Somebody with plenty of leisure time has figured it out that one journal is published for every 85,000 individuals in the world.

Gustav A. Tuckel, a New York miser, died recently of hunger, though he had about 100,000 written in his hand.

"Drummond," says Mr. Asquith, M.P., "is not the cause, but the effect of bad social conditions."

Are the London coroners' measures having an effect? Last week only five infants under a year old died from suffocation.

Fifty-two deaths in London last week were attributed to different forms of violence—forty-five to accident or negligence.

Two wagons were killed near Loomister the other night. Their horses bolted, and one of the men was run over and the other dashed upon a heap of stones.

A dressmaker's journal says that bonnets are now made by wild beasts. Many men wish their wives' bonnets were made to match their purses.

"When two women of intelligence can extract nothing from a man, be sure there is nothing in him," writes the Queen of Romania.

It is now law in the American Army that promotion to every rank below that of Brigadier-General shall be awarded according to seniority.

Whereas in 1877-8 the number of houses in London of known or suspected bad character was, according to official returns, 4,410, the number was in 1887-8, 2,973.

Cupid laments! In 1883 some 2,770,000 valentines passed through the post in London, but this year the number was, apparently, not more than 320,000.

Here is a remarkable fact. During last year 1,973 persons were killed in the Madras Presidency by wild beasts and snakes, which also destroyed 12,553 cattle.

The treaty of cession between Germany and the Sultan of Zanzibar has been ratified. The Sultan receives under the treaty 4,000,000 marks—£200,000.

Generally we may say that while our population has in the decade increased about one-seventh, our criminal classes are about one-third of what they were in 1887-8.

Boston is the place par excellence for fads and crazes. The latest idea for weddings in the "centre of culture" is to have the pulpit draped to match the bride's costume.

A young American who won a £50 prize for suggesting 10,000 ideas to a New York paper has gone crazy and disappeared. But there are still plenty of crazy ideas in the market.

"No news is good news," perhaps. But you can't make a provincial editor believe that the state of the weather or crop prospects.

The remains of the late Mr. Alfred Egerton, M.P., were interred on Wednesday at Worsley parish church. The coffin, which was covered with flowers, was borne by 18 of the tenants on the Worsley estate.

It is the intention of Sir Charles Dilke to appeal to the superior courts to reverse the decision given by a ruling barrister at the inquest striking Lady Dilke's name off the list of county voters.

The Chicago papers are bemoaning the fact that they can't make fun of the way in which the World's Fair is being organised, as they could have done had New York got the contract.

At the Greenwich Police Court, William Henry Hill, bookmaker, of 60, Mayfield-road, was fined £5 for a month's imprisonment for causing an obstruction by blocking in the Lower-road, Rotherhithe.

The Wolverhampton stipendiary on Wednesday refused to convict a publican for using an unstamped measure to supply threepenny worth of whisky. The magistrate said it was not compulsory to measure whisky under half a pint.

The Mayor and Sheriffs of Newcastle officially opened on Thursday the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales on their third autumnal meeting being held in the northern metropolis.

The Swiss National Assembly, after a four days' debate, has approved, by a vote of seventy-eight to thirty-five, the adoption of a Federal Council with recommendations of its committee.

While driving from the Lizard to Helston, Mrs. Holmes, the wife of the solicitor to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, and her daughter were thrown out of the trap. Mrs. Holmes is so seriously hurt that she is unable to be removed. Miss Holmes escaped with slight injuries.

The Berlin-Potsdam-Magdeburg Railway has for some time past been issuing a travelling ticket for three pinnas—about a farthing English money. These tickets are used by school children between Friedland and Schoneberg. It is the cheapest ride in the German empire.

On the 9th of September two heifers were missing from Four Oaks Park. Search was made, but they could not be found, and nothing was seen of them until the other day, when they were found in a small building seven feet by five. They had been without food or water for about three weeks, but they are still alive, and are expected to be little the worse for their long fast.

The Board of Customs have notified that in future all officers boarding ships at Gravesend and coming on to London, who may be six hours or more from the former place (inclusive of an hour and a half's return travelling by rail) are to be allowed to remain off duty until eight a.m. the following day, while every man is to have each alternate Sunday to himself.

John Henry Jones, a Manchester man, chose an extraordinary method of ending his life. Going to the county building at Kinsale, he inquired if the constable was in. On being answered in the negative, he immediately shot himself, death being instantaneous.

Significantly enough he had previously written to the authorities, telling them that he was weary of life and desired rest.

While digging some drains upon Brookshall Farm, Sunningdale, which is in the occupation of Mr. William Farmer, one of the Sheriffs of the City of London, the workmen discovered a quantity of human skulls and bones and portions of coffin planks, the latter being five inches thick. The spot where they were found is supposed to have been the burial place of an ancient monastery that stood upon the site about 400 years ago.

John Cullen Nelson, of Glasgow, abruptly announced to his landlady and another lodger that he was going to shoot himself. They endeavoured to persuade him to remain in the house, but failed. Pushing past them and running downstairs Nelson soon reached the street. He proceeded to the front of an undertaker's shop, and taking a pistol from his pocket, killed himself instantaneously by a shot which entered his head at the right temple.

Mr. Justice Vaughan Williams has made an order for the winding-up of the Hop Bitters Company, Limited.

General Sir Redvers Henry Buller, V.C., has taken over from Lord Wolseley the post of Adjutant-General.

A boy named Owers has committed suicide at Bawtinstall by drowning, because, having stolen some money, his father threatened to inform the police.

Sir William Harcourt and Mr. John Morley are to be present at the forthcoming annual meetings of the National Liberal Federation, which will be held at Sheffield.

The People's Concert Society announces a series of ten concerts to be given at the Town Hall, Newry-place, Poplar, on successive Saturdays evening.

The death is announced of M. Alphonse Barr, a French novelist. He was 85 years of age, and had for a long time lived in retirement at Nice.

Louis Kosuth has addressed a letter to his friends in which he reminds them that Hungarians nowadays should take their stand on the dualistic principles of 1848, and not on the revolutionary ideas of 1849.

Large crowds of people were attracted to the riverbanks at Liverpool to witness the departure of the Channel squadron from the Mersey.

During their stay in the river the ships have been visited by over 55,000 people.

The directors of the Crystal Palace have fixed the following dates in 1891 for the tenth great triennial Handel festival—June 19th, grand full rehearsal; June 22nd, "The Messiah"; June 24th, selection; June 26th, "Israel in Egypt."

The Reichsanzeiger, referring to the alleged insult to the German flag on the transfer of the East Asiatic Company, says the incident has been explained and apologised for, and is now closed.

Mr. Enoch Harvey, solicitor, of Liverpool, was accidentally killed while attempting to cross the railway line at Mersey-road Station, Alburgh. The deceased, who was in his 65th year, occupied a leading position in his profession.

Mr. Benson, an old servant of King William IV., died at the lodge in the Long Walk, Windsor Castle, at the age of 88. Her husband was for many years employed in the stables of the Royal Hunt at Cumberland Lodge.

Henry Wanchoff, of Princeton, Pennsylvania, has been literally starved to death. His teeth first commenced to ache, and four weeks ago his throat closed entirely, and although he was unable to swallow any.

This is Mr. T. D. Sullivan's latest assertion:—"The Irish constabulary have from Mr. Balfour, as clearly as if it were written, leave and license to do pretty much as they choose with the heads and limbs, lives and liberties of the Irish people."

The evening classes at the Bethnal Green Free Library, which have re-opened after a vacation, afford the youth of the district an opportunity for securing at low fees first-class instruction in various branches of technical education.

During July, 1889, what may be called the world's stocks of wheat increased fully 2,835,000 bushels, and during August in the year the increase was 4,737,000 bushels, or during these two months, an aggregate of 7,572,000 bushels.

The licensed victuallers of Fulham are jubilant over the success of their campaign against the over-seers' assessments. It is rumoured that the Rate and Taxpayers' Assessment Protection Association obtained alone reductions to the tune of something like £20,000 in one day's hearing.

To illustrate the immensity of 1,000,000 years Darwin gives this—"Take a narrow strip of paper, 3½ in. in length, and stretch it along the side of a large hall, then mark off at the tenth of an inch. This tenth of an inch will represent 100 years, and the entire strip 1,000,000 years."

An excursion train, consisting of twenty-six carriages, came into collision with a goods train on the Eastern Railway of France, near Noisy-le-Grand. Several of the carriages were smashed, and about twenty-four of the passengers received slight injuries. They were all able, however, to resume their journey by special train.

The North Staffordshire Musical Festival was held on Wednesday at Hanley, and passed off with remarkable success in all respects. In the morning Mozart's "Requiem" and Sullivan's "Golden Legend" were performed, and in the evening Dr. Hepp's "Rosamond," and a miscellaneous selection.

Many of the best tenanted West-end thoroughfares, and especially Victoria-street, Westminster, have earned the delightful title to be called "Screech Owl-street," the servants of the houses being provided with whistles by means of which they are able to summon hansom or four-wheelers.

The following gentlemen have been elected to exhibitions at Hertford College, Oxford:—Mr. W. H. F. Wilkins, of St. Edwards School; Mr. E. J. Jackson, of Leathershead School; Mr. H. J. Mitchell, of Banstead School; Mr. R. J. Fairclough, of Forest School; and Mr. C. G. C. Lillingston, of Merchant Taylors' School.

Scotland will be glad to know that the good work of Dr. Norman Macleod lives after him in high prosperity. Thinking that there might still be some demand for the writings of the jovial divine, an enterprising firm of publishers printed 50,000 copies of "The Old and the New," and 50,000 of "The Starling." The books were sold at sixpence, and both editions are already exhausted.

Few well-authenticated cases of extreme old age are found that compare with that of Mother Bennett, who lives near Greenville, in Alabama, and whose age, by that test, witnesses, the family Bible, is 115 years. She did not unite with any church until her 112th year, and was then immersed according to Baptist rites by a young minister scarcely twenty-two years of age.

While our population is steadily increasing, and London is so constantly enlarging its boundaries, it seems strange to hear that the resident population of one of our central suburban districts has fallen of late years to little more than one-third of what it was.

The locality is the Finsbury district, and the cause is the extensive demolition of dwelling-houses for the erection of warehouses and workshops.

Quite recently some Brooklyn milk-sellers were called to account for adding to their commodity a preparation made expressly for the trade, called "preservative," which enables stale milk to be palmed off upon consumers.

The "preservative" is said to consist of borax or salicylic acid, and it was stated that fully 10 per cent. of the milk sold in Brooklyn contained this substance. Do London milk-dealers know aught of this method?

Unpleasant rather to be subjected on one's wedding day to unexpected insult and assault. This, however, was the fate of James Traynor, a Dundee mill-worker, who, while stepping jauntily towards the registrar's office with his sweetheart on his arm, encountered a stranger, who, with a glittering eye, glared at that exhibition.

Traynor and his bride slipped across the street, where they were promptly followed

and attacked. Twenty shillings was the price the stranger had to pay for his escapade. We have now 34,535 acres under hope in England.

Swedish farmers rejoice. Their oat crops is the best ever known.

Boston derives no less than 1,032,441 dols. of its revenue from liquor licenses.

Mrs. Rachel Stillwagon, of Flushing, L.I., has celebrated her 103th birthday. She has for many years risen at six and retired at ten.

James Abbot, an old man of Adlington, was cut to pieces by an express train at Blackrod Station the other night.

The "military type" supplement to the Army and Navy Gazette this week depicts the Royal Engineers.

Lars Erickson, 22 years of age, is in gaol in Barton, Wisconsin, on a charge of killing his father at their home, near Chetek. The murder was the sequel to a quarrel.

"Undoubtedly," writes Mr. Gladstone in anticipation of his Middlemarch tour, "will embrace matters connected with the questions of labour."

Frederick Dunn and Henry Dunn, Chichester, brothers, quarrelled and fought at their father's house, Henry receiving injuries from which he died.

Miss Maggie Mitchell was found murdered at her home near Indianapolis, Indiana. The murderer is unknown, and the crime is surrounded with mystery.

An excursionist from Liverpool to Matlock has been missed since August 23rd, and the Matlock police are searching the woods and hills for the body, which it is expected is lying in some secluded part.

Farmers who plant grape vines in Victoria now get a bonus of £3 per acre, up to 50 acres, for each of three years after planting. The Colonial Parliament having voted £25,000 for the purpose last session.

Mr. Labouchere is understood to say that he regrets a general election in six months. If Liberal members refuse to pair with Liberal Unionist members.

The Queen of Roumania, in reply to addresses presented to her on Wednesday evening at Llandudno, expressed her gratification at the cordial reception she met with in Wales, and her admiration for its people.

In response to a requisition from the Council of the County of Salford (Councilor H. Robinson) has consented to allow himself to be put in nomination for the majority for the ensuing year.

Mr. T. M. Jenkins, who was for many years clerk to the Strand Board of Works, died at his residence, Guildford House, Chertsey, on Thursday. He was pensioned off a few months ago in consequence of ill



This image shows a blank, aged, cream-colored page, likely an endpaper or flyleaf of a book. The paper has a slightly textured appearance with some minor creases and discoloration, characteristic of old paper. The left edge of the page shows the binding of the book.

